Terminals etc. are proposed to be provided at 110 Combined P&T Offices.

(c) Expenditure likely to be incurred is about Rs. 1.5 crores.

Shortage of Postal Stationery in Post Office in U.P.

1371. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an acute shortage of Postal stationery (Dak Materials) in Almora District, particularly, at Basot, Haya, Seem Ranikhet and Chaunalia Post Offices in U.P. ;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor ;

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to supply adequate Dak Material to meet the demand of these Post Offices ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) No, Sir. There is no shortage of postal stationery in the post offices in Almora District.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Waiting List of Telephones in Arunachal Prodesh and Assam

1372. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) what are the details of waiting lists for telephone connections in Arunachal Pradesh and Assam during the years 1991-92 and 1992-93 ;

(b) what is the latest position of waiting lists as on the 30th October, 1993 in these States ; and

(c) by when the backlog is likely to be cleared ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) and (b) :

State	Date	OYT	Special	General	Total
Arunachal Pradesh . . .	31-3-92	Nil	Nil	10	10
	31-3-93	Nil	Nil	10	10
	31-10-93	Nil	Nil	312	312
Assam	31-3-92	418	545	10246	11209
	31-3-93	282	283	9933	10498
	31-10-93	260	493	11919	12672

(c) Most of the backlog in Arunachal Pradesh and Assam is likely to be cleared by March, 1995.

Opening of new Post and Telegraph Offices in Arunachal Pradesh

1373. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of new post and telegraph offices proposed to be opened in Arunachal Pradesh during the year 1993-94 ; and

(b) what are the details alongwith the district-wise location thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) and (b) *Post Offices* : During 1993-94, it is targated to open 7 new post offices in Arunachal Pradesh, out of which 5 post offices have been sanctioned so far. District-wise details of these 5 post offices are given below :

Name of extra departmental branch post office	Name of district
1. Towang Gompha	Towang
2. Kheel	Lower
3. Kumsai	Hubansiri
4. Kovinroad	Chenglang
5. Dali	West Siang

Telegraph Offices : The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.